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FOR: MARK FORMING APPARATUS,

METHOD OF FORMING LASER MARK ON

OPTICAL DISK, REPRODUCING

APPARATUS, OPTICAL DISK AND

METHOD OF PRODUCING OPTICAL DISK

AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated March 22, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Please replace the claims as follows:

(Amended) A marking forming apparatus comprising:

an optical disk having pits indicating data signals readable by light radiation;

at least one reflective film formed on the pits;

marking forming means for applying at least one marking to the reflective film 5

formed on the disk, the marking being a low-reflective marking;

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